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1. ROK AMBASSADOR TO EC, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG, IN SANG SONG, TOLD A MISSION OFFICER THAT HE HAS TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR YEVGENIY KOSAREV'S POSITION AS DEAN OF THE LUXEMBOURG DIPLOMATIC CORPS TO BEGIN A DIALOG ON SOVIET-ROK AFFAIRS. THE ROKG HAS ENCOURAGED SONG IN THESE CONTACTS BECAUSE OF ITS DESIRE TO DIVERSIFY RELATIONS AND USE THE SINO-SOVIET SPLIT TO ITS OWN ADVANTAGE. SONG SAYS HE HAS HAD TWO ONE-HALF HOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH KOSAREV. BOTH MEETINGS WERE AMIABLE AND PRODUCTIVE. SONG EMPHASIZED TO KOSAREV THE NEED FOR THE SU TO RESTRAIN NORTH KOREA FROM ATTACKING THE ROK AND TO LIMIT ITS AID TO THE NORTH. THE SOVIET OFFICIAL TOOK NOTE OF THESE COMMENTS.

2. SONG CLAIMS THAT THIS IS THE ONLY HIGH LEVEL CONTACT THAT THE ROKG CURRENTLY HAS WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS. HE PLANS TO CONTINUE IT.

3. NOT SURPRISINGLY, PRC AMBASSADOR LI LIEN-PI HAS GIVEN SONG THE COLD SHOULDER. THE TWO DIPLOMATS DO NOT EVEN SHAKE
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